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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

MATEO RAFAEL, LLC.

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Plaintiff

Civil Action No.

vs.

BRYAN GRILL & PIZZERIA, INC., : BRYAN DIALLO, HECTOR BELLO, : VICTOR BELLO, JOHN DOE MARY DOE: (1-99) ABC CORP., I-X (said names, being: Fictitious, true names presently unknown), : and XYZ EMPLOYER I-X said names: being fictitious, true names presently:

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Defendants

**DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL** 

# PLAINTIFF MATEO RAFAEL COMPLAINT FOR TRADEMARK INFRINGEMENT

Plaintiff Mateo Rafael, LLC. ("Plaintiff") states as follows for its complaint against Bryan's Grill & Pizzeria, Inc. et al. & John Doe ("Defendants"):

#### THE PARTIES

1. Plaintiff, Mateo Rafael, LLC, is a New Jersey corporation with its principal place of business located at 589 Cedar Avenue, West Long Branch, County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey.

- 2. Upon information and belief, Defendant Bryan Grill & Pizzeria, LLC is a New Jersey corporation with its principal place of business at 530 Springdale Avenue, Long Branch, NJ 07764.
- 3. Upon information and belief, Defendant Bryan J. Diallo, residing at 250 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the City of Long Branch, County of Monmouth in the State of New Jersey is an owner and/or employee of Bryan Grill & Pizzeria, LLC.
- 4. Upon information and belief, Defendant Victor Bello, residing at 310 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Apt. 113 in the city of Asbury Park, County of Mammoth in the State of New Jersey, is an owner and/or employee of Bryan Grill & Pizzeria, LLC.
- 5. Upon information and belief, Defendant Hector Bello, residing at 508 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Apt. 20 in the City of Asbury Park, County of Monmouth in the State of New Jersey is an owner and/or employee of Bryan Grill & Pizzeria, LLC.
- 6. Mateo Rafael-Hernandez who is the managing Member of Mateo Rafael, LLC acquired 100% ownership of Nelly's Pizza & Grill, Inc.
  - 7. Nelly's Pizza & Grill, Inc. started to conduct business on May 1, 2001 at the same location; namely, 589 Cedar Avenue, West Long Branch, County of Monmouth in the State of New Jersey.
  - 8. Nelly's Pizza & Grill caters mainly to college students at Monmouth University and patrons of nearby hotels. Such sandwich as "FAT SIGMAPI" enjoys widespread recognition and popularity. A true and correct copy of Nelly's Pizza & Grill' menu is attached hereto and marked as "Exhibit 1."
- 9. Defendant Bryan J. Diallo ("Bryan"), was hired by Mateo Rafael-Hernandez on January 4, 2007.
- 10. Bryan J. Diallo was the night time manager and performed the duties incumbent upon a manager within Nelly's Pizza & Grill. As part of his training, he was taught to make

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Nelly's Pizza & Grill flagship sandwiches using Nelly's Pizza & Grill proprietary recipe. He had access to Nelly's Pizza & Grill clients

- 11. Defendants Hector Bello and Victor Bello who are also members of Bryan Pizzeria & Grill, LLC are former employees of Plaintiff. Both Hector Bello ("Hector") and Victor ("Victor") Bello were delivery drivers for Plaintiff.
- 12. The aforementioned parties formed and registered Bryan Grill & Pizzeria, LLC on or about December 20, 2011. See "Exhibit 2." Subsequently, on or about May 4, 2012 the aforementioned parties abandoned their employment with Plaintiff.

#### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 13. This is an action arising under the trademark laws of the United States, 15 U.S.C. §1051 *et seq*. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action under 15 U.S.C. § 1121. A substantial part of the events giving rise to this action have occurred and continue to occur in this judicial district. As such, Defendants should reasonably expect that its activities might have consequences herein.
- 14. Defendant Bryan Grill & Pizzeria, LLC is subject to this Court's personal jurisdiction because, on information and belief, (1) it is a New Jersey corporation and/or has designated a registered agent in this district; (2) it does substantial business in this district; (3) it produces sandwiches and other food products identified and labeled with the infringing marks, which are available to its customers including customers in this district; and/or (4) it regularly solicits business from, do business with, and derives revenue from goods and/or services provided to customers in this district.
- 15. Defendants Bryan J. Diallo, Hector Bello and Victor Bello are subject to this Court's personal jurisdiction because, on information and belief, they are owners and/or employees of Bryan Pizzeria & Grill, LLC.

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16. Venue is proper in this judicial district under 28 U.S.C. §1391(c) because the Defendant Bryan Pizzeria & Grill, LLC is incorporated, registered to do business in, and/or engages in significant business activities in this district as set forth in paragraphs 2-12 above and Defendants Bryan J. Diallo, Hector Bello and Victor Bello are owners and/or employees of Bryan Pizzeria & Grill, LLC.

#### THE ASSERTED TRADEMARKS

- 17. On or about June 14, 2012, Plaintiff applied to the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") for registration of the marks. A true and correct copy of some of the applications of the mark is attached hereto and marked as "Exhibit 3-12."
- 18. The marks have been used in the stream of commerce by Nelly's Grill & Pizzeria, Inc.
  - 19. Mateo Rafael, LLC wholly owns Nelly's Grill & Pizzeria.
  - 20. As such, Mateo Rafael, LLC owns one hundred percent (100%) of the marks.

#### **BACKGROUND**

- 21. Defendants have recently launched the restaurant. Defendants produce sandwiches and other food products identified and labeled with the infringing marks, which are available to its customers including customers in this district.
- 22. Defendants, at all times mentioned herein, have been, and are now, in the restaurant business.
- 23. Defendants have not received authorization, nor obtained a license, from Mateo Rafael, LLC for any of its sandwiches.
- 24. Defendants have been notified in writing of the marks and requested to cease and desist from directly and/or indirectly infringing said marks or otherwise causing said marks to be infringed. A true and correct copy of the cease and desist letter is attached hereto and marked as

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"Exhibit 13."

- 25. Despite receiving notice of its infringing activities, Defendants have continuously produces sandwiches and other food products identified and labeled with the infringing marks.
  - 26. Defendants are a competitor of Plaintiff.
- 27. Upon information and belief, Defendants have sold or distributed its infringing product directly to Plaintiff's current customers and potential customers.

#### **FIRST CLAIM**

#### (TRADEMARK INFRINGEMENT BY DEFENDANTS)

- 28. Plaintiff repeats, re-alleges and incorporates by reference the foregoing paragraphs as though the same were fully set forth at length herein
- 29. Defendants offers for sale sandwiches labeled with the infringing marks. A true and correct copy of Defendants' menu is attached hereto and marked as "Exhibit 14."
- 30. Upon information and belief, Defendants make, use, offer to sell, or sell sandwiches labeled with the infringing marks.
  - 31. Plaintiff is the sole owner of the entire right, title, and interest in the marks.
- 32. Upon information and belief, Defendants have been and is now infringing, actively inducing the infringement of, and/or contributing to the infringement of one or more of the marks identified in paragraph 10 of this Complaint by making, using, offering to sell, or selling sandwiches labeled with the infringing marks.
- 33. The Defendants' infringement of the marks has been and is willful. Defendants were employed by the Plaintiff. Further, Defendant Bryan J. Diallo attempted to delete Plaintiff's Mateo Rafael, LLC Facebook page. See "Exhibit 15."

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34. The Defendants' infringement has caused and will continue to cause Plaintiff irreparable harm unless enjoined by this Court. Plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law.

### SECOND CLAIM (UNJUST ENRICHMENT)

- 35. Plaintiff repeats, re-alleges and incorporates by reference the foregoing paragraphs as though the same were fully set forth at length herein.
  - 36. This cause of action arises under the common law.
- 37. By the acts and activities of Defendants complained of herein, Defendants have been unjustly enriched.
- 38. Defendants' conduct described above has caused and, if not enjoined, will continue to cause irreparable damage to the rights of Plaintiff in its sandwiches, its business, reputation, and good will.
- 39. On information and belief, Defendants will continue to infringe Plaintiff's valuable right in its sandwiches to the detriment of Plaintiff unless restrained by this Court.
- 40. Plaintiff has suffered and is continuing to suffer irreparable injury for which there is no adequate remedy at law.
- 41. Plaintiff's damages from the aforesaid unlawful actions of Defendants, to the extent ascertainable, have not yet been determined.

## THIRD CLAIM (UNFAIR COMPETITION)

42. Plaintiff repeats, re-alleges and incorporates by reference the foregoing paragraphs as though the same were fully set forth at length herein.

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- 43. On or about June 29, 2012, Bryan put in a deletion order for Nelly's Grill & Pizzeria Facebook page. A copy of the order is attached hereto and marked as "See Exhibit 15."
  - 44. This cause of action arises under the common law.
- 45. By the acts and activities of Defendants complained of herein, Defendants have been secretly and unfairly competing against Plaintiff.
- 46. Defendants' conduct described above has caused and, if not enjoined, will continue to cause irreparable damage to the rights of Plaintiff in its sandwiches, its business, reputation, and good will.
- 47. On information and belief, Defendants will continue to infringe Plaintiff's valuable right in its sandwiches to the detriment of Plaintiff unless restrained by this Court.
- 48. Plaintiff has suffered and is continuing to suffer irreparable injury for which there is no adequate remedy at law.
- 49. Plaintiff's damages from the aforesaid unlawful actions of Defendants, to the extent ascertainable, have not yet been determined.

# FOURTH CLAIM (TORTIOUS INTERFERENCE WITH BUSINESS RELATIONS AND PROSPECTIVE ECONOMIC ADVANTAGE)

- 50. Plaintiff repeats, re-alleges and incorporates by reference the foregoing paragraphs as though the same were fully set forth at length herein.
  - 51. Defendants are without excuse or justification but for the intent to harm Plaintiff.
- 52. Defendants' conduct was actuated by actual malice or accompanied by wanton and willful disregard to Plaintiff's rights.

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- 53. As a result of Defendants' conduct, Plaintiff's income is reduced thereby depriving Plaintiff of a reasonable profit from Plaintiff's investment. Therefore, Plaintiff's economic advantage has been tortuously interfered with.
- 54. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct as aforesaid, Plaintiff is injured.
- 55. Plaintiff's damages from the aforesaid unlawful actions of Defendants, to the extent ascertainable, have not yet been determined.

### <u>FIFTH CLAIM</u> (CIVIL CONSPIRACY)

- 56. Plaintiff repeats, re-alleges and incorporates by reference, the foregoing paragraphs as though the same were fully set forth at length herein.
- 57. Defendants acted in concert to produce Nelly's flagship sandwiches thereby infringing Plaintiff's marks among other violations.
- 58. Defendants' conduct was actuated by actual malice or accompanied by wanton and willful disregard to Plaintiff's rights.
- 59. As a result of Defendants' conduct Plaintiff's income is reduced thereby depriving Plaintiff of a reasonable profit from Plaintiff's investment. Therefore, Plaintiff's economic advantage has been tortuously interfered with.
- 60. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct as aforesaid, Plaintiff is injured.
- 61. Plaintiff's damages from the aforesaid unlawful actions of Defendants, to the extent ascertainable, have not yet been determined.

## SIXTH CLAIM (PRIMA FACIE TORT)

- 62. Plaintiff repeats, re-alleges and incorporates by reference the foregoing paragraphs as though the same were fully set forth at length herein.
  - 63. Defendants are without excuse or justification but for the intent to harm Plaintiff.
  - 64. Defendants' actions have resulted in special damages.
- 65. Defendants' conduct was actuated by actual malice or accompanied by wanton and willful disregard to Plaintiff's rights.
- 66. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct as aforesaid, Plaintiff is injured.
- 67. Plaintiff's damages from the aforesaid unlawful actions of Defendants, to the extent ascertainable, have not yet been determined.

# SEVENTH CLAIM (MISAPPROPRIATION OF PROPRIETARY AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION)

- 68. Plaintiff repeats, re-alleges and incorporates by reference the foregoing paragraphs as though the same were fully set forth at length herein.
- 69. Approximately four (4) months before leaving, Bryan recommended that another food business operation be opened for him to run. Further, he began to ask questions about the details of the business.
  - 70. Defendants are without excuse or justification but for the intent to harm Plaintiff.
  - 71. Defendants' actions have resulted in special damages.

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#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief against Defendants as follows:

- (1) Enter an order, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §1125, preliminarily and permanently enjoining Defendants, its officers, directors, agents, employees and all persons in active concert or participation with it who receive actual notice of the injunction, by personal service or otherwise, from doing, abiding, causing or abetting infringing, contributing to the infringement and/or actively inducing the infringement of Plaintiff's marks.
- (2) That Defendants be required to deliver up to Plaintiff for destruction, at Defendants' expense, all the infringing products as complained of herein.
  - (3) Adjudge that Defendants' infringement has been and is willful.
- (4) Order Defendants to account for and pay to Plaintiff the damages to which Plaintiff is entitled as a consequence of the infringement of the marks, together with interest and costs of suit pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1117.
- (5) Award Plaintiff enhanced damages up to treble the amount found or assessed pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1117(b) in light of Defendants' deliberate and willful infringement of the marks.
- (6) Declare this case "exceptional" and award Plaintiff its reasonable attorneys' fees pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1117(a).
- (7) That Defendants be required to pay to Plaintiff damages to compensate Plaintiff for Defendants' unjust enrichment.
- (8) That the Court enters an order placing reasonable but effective restrictions on the future transactions and activities of Defendants so as to prevent fraud on the Court and so as to ensure the capacity of Defendants to pay, and the prompt payment of, any judgment entered against Defendants in this action.
  - (9) That Plaintiff be awarded compensatory damages.
  - (10) That Plaintiff be awarded punitive damages.
  - (11) That Plaintiff be awarded its attorney's fees and the costs of this action.
  - (12) Grant Plaintiff such other relief as is just and proper.

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- 72. Defendants' conduct was actuated by actual malice or accompanied by wanton and willful disregard to Plaintiff's rights.
- 73. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct as aforesaid, Plaintiff is injured.
- 74. Plaintiff's damages from the aforesaid unlawful actions of Defendants, to the extent ascertainable, have not yet been determined.

## EIGHTH CLAIM (CONVERSION)

- 75. Plaintiff repeats, re-alleges and incorporates by reference the foregoing paragraphs as though the same were fully set forth at length herein.
  - 76. Defendants are without excuse or justification but for the intent to harm Plaintiff.
  - 77. Defendants' actions have resulted in special damages.
- 78. Defendants' conduct was actuated by actual malice or accompanied by wanton and willful disregard to Plaintiff's rights.
- 79. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct as aforesaid, Plaintiff is injured.
- 80. Plaintiff's damages from the aforesaid unlawful actions of Defendants, to the extent ascertainable, have not yet been determined.

## <u>NINTH CLAIM</u> (BREACH OF THE DUTY OF LOYALTY)

- 81. Plaintiff repeats, re-alleges and incorporates by reference the foregoing paragraphs as though the same were fully set forth at length herein.
  - 82. Defendants are without excuse or justification but for the intent to harm Plaintiff.

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- 83. Defendants' actions have resulted in special damages.
- 84. Defendants' conduct was actuated by actual malice or accompanied by wanton and willful disregard to Plaintiff's rights.
- 86. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct as aforesaid, Plaintiff is injured.
- 87. Plaintiff's damages from the aforesaid unlawful actions of Defendants, to the extent ascertainable, have not yet been determined.

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#### **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

Plaintiff demands a trial by jury on all triable issues of fact.

Dated: November 23, 2012

Respectfully submitted by:

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#### **CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO LOCAL CIVIL RULE 11.2**

The undersigned hereby certifies, pursuant to Local Civil Rule 11.2, that with respect to the matter in controversy herein, neither plaintiff nor plaintiff's attorney is aware of any other action pending in any court, or of any pending arbitration or administrative proceeding, to which this matter is subject.

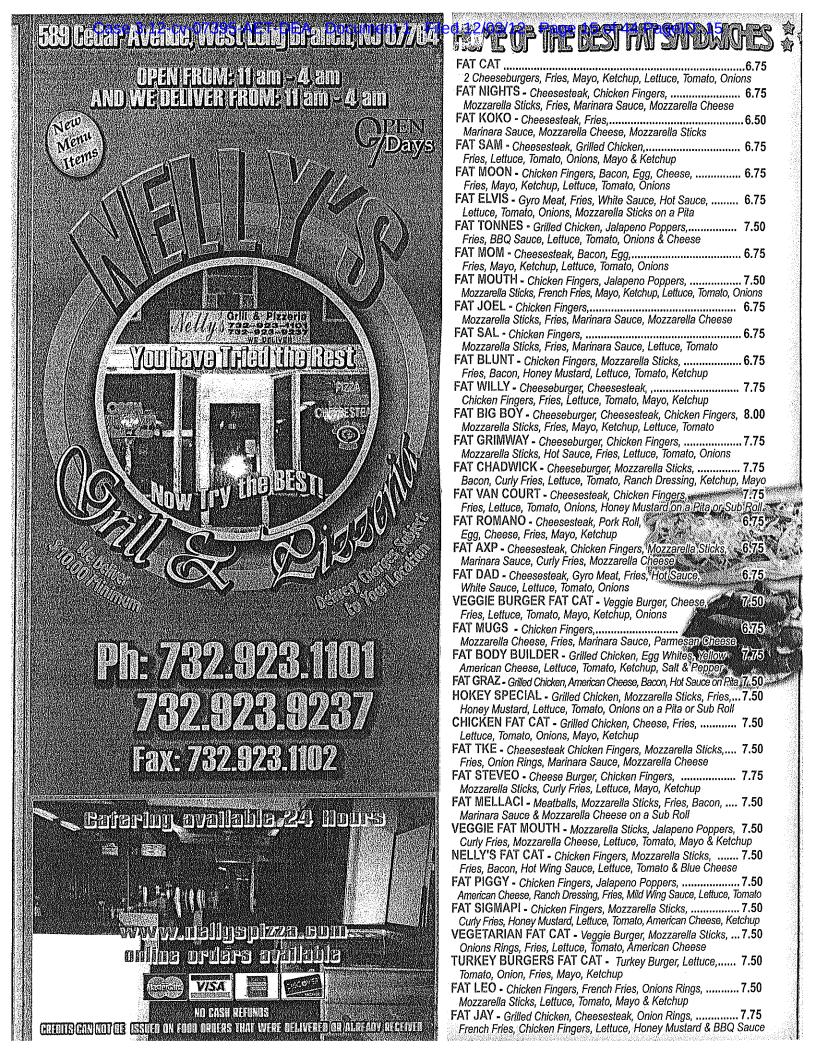
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#### **CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION**

## BRYAN GRILL & PIZZERIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY 0400458963

The above-named DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY was duly filed in accordance with New Jersey State Law on 12/20/2011 and was assigned identification number 0400458963. Following are the articles that constitute its original certificate.

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- 1. Name:
  BRYAN GRILL & PIZZERIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
- 2. Registered Agent: CESAR GOMEZ
- 3. Registered Office: 5 THIRD AVENUE LONG BRANCH, NJ 07740
- 4. Business Purpose: Restaurant
- 5. Members/Managers:
  BRYAN J DIALLO
  250 6TH AVENUE
  LONG BRANCH, NJ 07740
  HECTOR BELLO
  508 5TH AVENUE APT 20
  ASBURY PARK, NJ 07712
  VICTOR BELLO
  310 6TH AVENUE APT 113
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- 6. Main Business Address: 530 STRINGVILLE AVENUE LONG BRANCH, NJ 07740

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BRYAN J DIALLO AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE HECTOR BELLO AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE VICTOR BELLO AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE PILED

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Bryan's Grill & Pizza Attention: OWNER 530 Springdale Ave. Long Branch, NJ 07740

RE: USE OF NELLY'S GRILL AND PIZZERIA TRADEMARKS

Dear Sir/Madam:

We are the intellectual property and litigation counsel to Mateo Rafael, LLC, DBA Nelly's Grill & Pizzeria, located at 589 Cedar Avenue, West Long Branch, New Jersey. Mateo Rafael, LLC, is the owner of a plurality of U.S. Registrations for a number of trademarks, including "FAT BLUNT," "FAT DAD," "FAT BIG BOY," etc. We are writing to you based on our client's recent awareness of your use of the marks "SUPER FAT BLUNT," "SUPER FAT DAD," "SUPER FAT BIG BOY;" etc. in connection with food services.

As a former employee of Mateo Rafael, LLC, DBA Nelly's Grill & Pizzeria, you are aware of its long use of these marks in connection with providing food services.

These marks have been in continuous use since 2001 and are well-recognized throughout New Jersey for its services. Evidence of the registration of each trademark is available at the United States Patent and Trademark website.

For approximately eleven years Mateo Rafael, LLC, DBA Nelly's Grill & Pizzeria has expended an incalculable amount of time, money, and resources in promoting its

trademarks. As such, Mateo Rafael, LLC is concerned with your use of the marks preceded by "SUPER" in connection with food services. Given the food service at issue, such use of our client's marks is likely to cause consumer confusion with respect to the source or sponsorship of your services.

Bryan's Grill & Pizza marks are nearly identical to our client's marks.

Furthermore, Bryan's Grill & Pizza marks are used in connection with food services just like our client's marks and is located in very close proximity to Nelly's Grill & Pizzeria.

Consequently, "SUPER FAT BLUNT" "SUPER FAT DAD," "SUPER FAT BIG BOY," etc. confuse the public to the detriment of our client's rights in contravention to Federal, State Trademark and Unfair Competition laws.

Accordingly, we must request that you discontinue use of the marks "SUPER FAT DAD," "SUPER FAT BIG BOY," etc. As a business owner we trust you will appreciate that trademark law requires Rafael Mateo, LLC to protect its intellectual property. Given the recent discovery of such use, it is our hope that we can quickly and amicably resolve this matter.

This is a matter of significant importance to our client and we must request that you provide written confirmation of your discontinuation of use of the marks by no later than <u>July 26, 2012</u>.

Sincerely,

Jox Anderson, Esq.

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Super Fat Blunt Chicken fingers, mozzarella sticks, fries, bacon,
noney mustard, lettuce, tomato and ketchup  Super Fat Big Boy Cheeseburger, cheesesteak, chicken fingers,
Super Fat Darrelle
Super Fat Sigmapie Chicken fingers, mozzarella sticks,
Super Fat AXP Cheesesteak, chicken fingers, mozzarella sticks,
Super Fat Night Cheesesteak, chicken fingers, mozzarella sticks,
Super Fat TKE Cheesesteak, chicken fingers,
Super Fat Dutch Chicken fingers, mozzarella sticks,
Super Fat Biotch Cheesesteak, chicken fingers, mozzarella sticks,
Super Fat Cat 2 cheeseburgers, fries, lettuce, tomato, onions, ketchup and mayo 5.75 Super Fat Martha Focker Cheeseburger, cheesesteak,
Super Fat Mojo Chicken fingers, gyro meat, mozzarella sticks,
Super Chicken Fat Cat Grilled chicken, fries, lettuce, tomato, onions, ketchup and mayo 6.99 Super Fat Bastard Gyro meat, cheddar poppers, chicken fingers,
mozzarella sticks, white sauce, hot sauce, lettuce, tomato and onions  Super Fat Bryan Buffalo chicken, fried, bacon, celery, lettuce, tomato, blue cheese or ranch 6.50
Super Fat Jimbo
Super Fat Body Builder
Super Fat King Cheesesteak, chicken fingers,
Cheesesteak, pork roll, eggs, American yellow cheese, fries, mayo and ketchup
Super Veggie Burger Fat Cat
Cheesesteak, gyro meat, fries, hot sauce, white sauce, lettuce, tomato and mayo
Super Fat Drunk Guy Cheeseburger, chicken fingers, cheesesteak,
Super Old School Big Boy Cheesesteak, cheeseburger, chicken fingers, 6.75 mozzarella sticks, eggs, fries, mayo and ketchup
Super Fat Leo Chicken fingers, french fries, onion rings,
Super Fat Stuyvesant Cheesesteak, bacon, pork roll, mayo,
Super LB Fat Cat Chicken fingers, mozzarella sticks, cheddar poppers, 6.75 fries marinara sauce. mozzarella cheese
Super LB PD Cheesesteak, pork roll, eggs, fries, mayo, ketchup
eggs, fries, chicken fingers, mayo, ketchup, lettuce and tomato Super Fat Stevo Cheese burger, chicken fingers,
mozzarelia sticks, curly mes, lettuce, mayo and kelchup
Super Fat Koko
Chicken fingers, bacon, eggs, cheese, fries, mayo, ketchup, lettuce, tomato, onlons
Cheesesteak, grilled chicken, fries, lettuce, tomato, onions, mayo, ketchup
Super Fat Sal Chicken fingers, mozzarella sticks, fries, marinara sauce, lettuce, tomato 6.75  Super Fat Chadwick Cheese burger, mozzarella sticks, bacon,
curly fries, lettuce, tomato, ranch dressing, ketchup, mayo

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